

# RAILROADS

## South Renfrew Will Decide Nice Point of Honor Today

## MAY FIGHT ELECTION OF HON. G. P. GRAHAM

## Prospective Conservative Candidate Says He Was Not Consulted

OTTAWA, Dec. 14.—The following conclusions have been drawn by the Ottawa Free Press from an investigation conducted in the district of South Renfrew in connection with the election campaign in that riding.

This historic riding of South Renfrew which has been the scene of a famous political battle, in which thousands of dollars and oceans of eloquence have been expended, is today faced to face with the nearest questions of political honor which has ever come before any Canadian constituency. The issue is the election of the Hon. G. P. Graham, a member of the House of Commons, to the seat of the Hon. J. H. Macdonald, a member of the House of Commons, in the riding of South Renfrew.

After reviewing the story of the campaign, the Free Press concludes that the Hon. G. P. Graham, who was defeated Conservative candidate in the last election, is not only a man of high character, but also a man of high ability. He is a man who has been successful in every position of honor to which he has been called.

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## RAILWAY POLICY

## Prime Minister's Assurance That His Government Will Have Important Legislation

## THE RAILWAY COMMISSION

## LABORERS' FIGHT

TORONTO, Dec. 14.—Following the report of the Royal Ontario Commission, the new addition to the railway commission, the Hon. J. H. Macdonald, a member of the House of Commons, is not only a man of high character, but also a man of high ability.

## IMPORTANT MATTERS BEFORE COMMISSION

## THE NUMBER OF QUESTIONS WILL COME UP FOR CONSIDERATION NEXT WEEK

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## TEACHERS' WAGES

## In Secret Session School Board Discusses the Question

## NO DECISION IS ARRIVED AT

## Board in Quandry Over Funds Which They Wish to Hold

For over two hours and a half last night the school board, in a secret session, wrestled with the request of the teachers of the Edmonton high and public schools for an "increase in salaries and at the end of that time appeared to be no nearer a solution of the problem than at the commencement of the discussion.

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## RUMOR DENIED

## Report Denied That Most of Transcontinental Railway Commission Would Be Reorganized Out of Existence

## OTTAWA, Dec. 14.—"I have never thought of such a thing, and the Government has not taken it into consideration," said Hon. Frank Chisholm, minister of railways and canals, when asked this morning as to the report that the Government would reorganize most of the transcontinental railway commission out of existence.

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There are two circumstances under which the granting of a charter for a railway might really delay rather than hasten the building of a railway. To grant an exclusive charter to a company without resources and with no apparent intention of building a railway, when another company was willing and able to build it, would be to postpone the *legus cogens* to hold up the railway development. But no exclusive railway charters are granted in Alberta. The giving of a charter to one company does not mean that another company may not come along the following day or the following week and build a railway of its own through the same country, and even over the same route. From the first session of the first Legislature of Alberta the working maxim has been

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order of an Alberta charter has nothing but the charter; he has no guarantee that another company will build at a similar or an identical cost at the next meeting of the Legislature, or even at the same session. In consequence, the only way a company having a railway charter in this province can hold its privileges is to produce them. It must build the railway it wishes to prevent others doing so. If there are other companies willing to build where the C.N.W. wants to build, they have only to ask the Legislature to give them the privilege, and then get to work and build first. The Canadian Northern has not been building under its old charters just as it might have done, it is

It is almost as if the railway is the only company doing its job. There are other companies in the field where the C.N.W. wants to build, they have only to ask the Legislature to give them the privilege, and then get to work and build first. The Canadian Northern has not even building under its old charters as fast as it might have done, it is the privilege of any other company to ask the Legislature for power to build through the districts those lines will serve, and then to build there first, if they can do it. The fact that other companies are not applying for rival charters is evidence that they are not interested in railway construction or operation, and, everywhere—except the C.N.W.—the word "privilege" is the best possible reason why the Legislature should continue as it is.

There are other companies willing to build where the C.N.W. wants to build, but the Legislature has no authority to give them the privilege, and then get to work and build first. The Canadian Northern had its office building under its old charter, so that as it might have done, it might have been able to get the Legislature for power to build through the districts these lines are now building. The fact that other companies are not applying for rival franchises is like, and that is the reason for the best power and the best service. The Legislature should continue to do it, but it is better to hand out the franchises for the service, and the more the service, the more the service.

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## BUSY DAY FOR THE LEGISLATURE

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ment. The limit of debentures in consequence was changed to five per cent. The debenture rate of interest was limited to six per cent.

Object to Stores Open at Night

London, Dec. 14.—The local office of the Home Office today issued a resolution concerning the practice of keeping open departmental stores at night during Christmas week, because of the hardship inflicted upon women clerks.

WILL TEACHERS GET INCREASES?

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school board should have the own building. Trustee Chubbuck took a similar view. It was pointed out that it would be hard to supply adequate accommodation for the school board officials in the new city hall.

Amalgamated School Board.

Another question which occupied the attention of the board was that of a joint school board for Greater Edmonton when amalgamation goes into effect. The opinion of the Edmonton board appears to be that the new board should be increased to seven with two representatives from the north side of the river. The bulk difficulty anticipated in the way of joining the two boards is that some of the members of the board were appointed to meet the committee in legislation at the legislative building on Monday next.

New School on H.B. Highway.

The question of a new school on the Hudson Bay Reserve was brought up by a communication from the Hudson Bay Company drawing the board's attention to the fact that they are placing a considerable portion of the reserve on the market. The secretary was instructed to request the company to state a price on four blocks of land between East and Churchill streets and between Sixth and Seventh streets.

Plans of the proposed new addition to the McKeen avenue school, presented by the building commissioner, were adopted without discussion.

Winnipeg Stock Market.

Winnipeg, Dec. 14.—Following are today's quotations on the Winnipeg stock exchange:

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## SOUTH AFRICA'S NAVAL POLICY LIKE LAURIER'S

Union Government Proposes to Build the 10th Fleet of Cruisers, Which Will be Used to Carry the Mail—Allied Mail Service Project is Revived.

London, Dec. 12.—The Union Government of South Africa now is making an interesting naval proposal. Mr. David Graft, chancellor of the exchequer, suggests that the Union Government build its own fleet of armoured cruisers, these ships to be used to carry the mails in place of the Union cable liners, which now receive a mail Sunday at 120,000 pounds a year. In addition, the Union Government now contributes 50,000 pounds yearly towards the upkeep of the British fleet. These two amounts will go towards the maintenance of new cruisers of the fleet, the cruisers to be sent to the British government should they be required in time of war.

It is expected that the five millions sterling will be spent on the fleet. It is not expected that there will be any difficulty in raising the money.

The South African project leads to the inquiry whether the new naval plan could be similarly combined with a fast all-steel mail project. Lord Strathcona and Earl Grey have been making pointed reference of late.

PRINCE ALBERT MAY BE STARTING POINT OF ROAD

Hudson Bay Line May Be Built from Saskatchewan Town Which Would Have Easy Connection With Alberta Railway Line.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—There is a possibility that Prince Albert or Le Pas will be made the starting point for the Hudson Bay Road. It is pointed out that Prince Albert would be a great centre and feeder for the road and could be easily reached by both Saskatchewan and Alberta railways. It would not necessarily mean the abandonment of the Le Pas line, which would be made a branch to tap the main route.

There is a strong feeling at Ottawa that Port Nelson will be finally chosen as the terminus as it is believed it will be a far superior harbor and there will be no delay in the work. No matter which route is chosen and arrangements will probably be made for taking provisions into the Pas Mission during the winter.

Health Association Meets.

Montreal, Dec. 14.—The Canadian Public Health Association held the fourth session of their first annual congress at McGill University this morning. A large attendance from all parts of the Dominion was present. The session was split into four sections, namely: Medical officers of health and their relation to the public were described by Dr. J. W. McKeen, chief medical officer of health, Ontario, and Dr. M. M. McKeen, commissioner of health of Saskatchewan.

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Tripoli, Dec. 14.—The Italian troops took possession yesterday of the oasis of Jadara, consisting of several small villages about eight miles along the coast to the west of the town of Tripoli. The Turkish troops and the Arab irregulars retired before the arrival of the Italian column and the Italian troops are now in possession of the oasis.

Whole Family Murdered.

Albany, N.Y., Dec. 13.—The naked bodies of Mrs. Arthur Morner, her son Arthur, aged 28, and two daughters, about 10 years old, were found hidden under the floor of the barn on their farm near Deerperville, a few miles east of Albany, toward by neighbors who had seen no one about the place since Monday. The whole family had been murdered and the police are searching for an Italian farm hand.

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## WISY DAY FOR LEGISLATURE

bill respecting the amalgama-  
tion of Edmonton and Miramonte  
given a second reading and re-  
ferred to the committee on municipal  
affairs.  
The bill for an act respecting an  
amendment of the city of Calgary for  
the supply of gas was read a third  
time and referred to the committee on  
municipal law, as was also the bill  
for an act respecting the charter of  
the City of Edmonton and the bill for an  
act respecting the town of Camrose. The  
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## BUSY DAY FOR THE LEGISLATURE

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Object To Sorrow Open at Night. Toronto, Dec. 14.—The local circle of women today passed a resolution condemning the practice of keeping open departmental stores at night during Christmas week, because of the hardships inflicted upon women clerks.

WILL TEACHERS GET INCREASES? (Continued from Page 1)

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Union Government Proposes to Build But One Fleet of Cruisers, Which Will Be Used to Carry the Mail—All-Red Mail Service Project Is Revised.

London, Dec. 12.—The Union Government of South Africa, now in making an interesting naval proposal, Mr. David Craig, chancellor of the exchequer, suggests that the Union Government build its own fleet of armed cruisers, these ships to be used to carry the mails, in place of the Union Castle liners, which now receive a mail subsidy of £20,000 a year. In addition, the Union Government now contributes £20,000 yearly towards the upkeep of the British navy. These two amounts will go towards the maintenance of new cruisers of the fleet, the cruisers to be lent to the British government should they be required in time of war.

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## PRINCE ALBERT MAY BE STARTING POINT OF ROAD

Hudson Bay Line May Be Built from Saskatchewan Town Which Would Give Easy Connection With Alberta Railway Lines.

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There is a strong feeling at Ottawa that Port Nelson will be finally chosen as the terminus of the Le Pas line, which has a far superior harbor and there will be no delay in the work. No matter which route is chosen and arrangements will probably be made for taking traffic into the Port Nelson during the winter.

Health Association Meets. Montreal, Dec. 14.—The Canadian Public Health Association held the fourth session of their first annual congress at McGill University this morning. A large attendance from all parts of the Dominion was present. The session was split into four sections, namely: Medical officers of health, laboratory workers, sanitary engineers, and public health and social workers. The duties of medical officers of health, Ontario and Dr. M. M. Seymour, commissioner of health of Saskatchewan.

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